## DEAD, INJURED AND MISSING

#### The Dead

Owing to the many conflicting reports of its number of dead, missing and injured it impossible at this time to obtain a full it. No two reports agree absolutely. It is nown that 129 bodies have been recovered as to of these 45 bodies have been identified to injured at 350, of whom 94 are identified in hospitals and more than 75 are reported missing. The lists of those employed the bodieting were destroyed at the time the explosion. Up-to-the-minute lists of the identified dead, missing and injured

Chaster, identified by Thomas Balley, Chester, identified by Thomas Balley, Chester, ILES, JENNIE 8., 6129 Gray's avenue,

Fries.
BECI, MIFODE, Philadelphia.
COD. HELEN. Seventy-ninth and Grove Philadelphia, identified by uncle, J. M. Donner,

Marcus Hook, Pa.

JOHNSON, ANNA, Collingdale.

JONES, FLORENCE, Chester.

REISTI, MICH. FL., Philadelphia.

ROVALUK, SAMUEL, SO4 East Fighth street

CARTHY, LIZZIE, Crum Lynne, Pa., identi ned by uncle, James Creigan, of Crum Lyune McCARTHY, MAMIE, Chester. ARIANO, GIUSEUUE, 900 North Second

etreet, Phlladelphia. ARTIN, DAVID, 6108 Woodland avenue, Phil

McINTYRE, PLOBENCE, seventeen years, 102 McIlvain street, Chester, identified by sister. Georgianna McIntyre. BERAY. WILLIAM HARPER, of Charlottes ville, Canada, temporary residence 204 South Alden street, Philadelphia, identified by

MEREDITH, MRS. MARY B., 1227 South Forty-ninth street, Philadelphia, identified by

MISUNE, MICHAEL, 255 East Third street Chester, Pa. identified by friend.

BOORE, ELSIE, Pusey avenue, Collingdale, Pa., identified by friends.

MYERS, MARKEL, 901 West Ninth street, Chester, died in Taylor Hospital, Ridley Park, BYERS, SARAH T., Fifth and Howell streets, Chester, Pa. identified by husband.

Chester, Pa., identified by husband.

OBSTATCHUC, SAMUEL, Leiperville, Pa., died in Taylor Hospital, Ridiey Park.

ORDINWAY, BERTHA, 504 West Sixth street.

parsons, Anthony G., Moores, Pa., identi

fied by sister.
POOL, JAMES, Chester.
PARSONS, EMMA. Moores, Pa., identified sister-in-law. PINCETTI, THOMAS, Leiperville, Pa.

PURDY, HARRY, Chester. SMITH, MARY, 2107 St. James terrace, Phila SPEAR, ANNA, 7702 Laycock avenue, Phila delphia, identified by friend.

BOCKFORD, MRS. HELEN, 8320 Bartram ave

nue, Philadelphia.

SUPOR, KATHERINE, 6605 Greenway avenue
SUTOR, MABEL, Philadelphia, died in Taylor
Hospital, Ridley Park.

TAYLOR, CELIA, Essington, Pa., identified by

TAYLOR. MATILDA, 8733 Laycock avenue Philadelphia, identified by friends.

TAKOROZIOKI, SIMON, 503 Edgement avenue

WALLS, HILDA, 1908 Grover's avenue, Phila WARDIENHENDEE, WILLIAM, Eddystone.

street, Philadelphia.

#### The Dying

CASTORE, JOSEPH, 306 West Thirty-second CASSUM. MICHAEL, 1110 Carpenter street

CROWITZ, BLANCHE, 5820 Upland street

POSTER, JULIAN, 1223 South Fiftieth street. GREENKO, BASIL, address unknown

## The Missing

ANDERSON, GEORGE, Quakertown, Pa. BEATTY, IDA, 2629 South Juniper street, Ph BURKE, STEPHEN, 2224 West Third street

COPE, BERT, Asbury Paric CREGAN, ELIZABETH, Crum Lynne CREGAN, MAMIR, Crum Loune. CROSDEN, ETHEL, 8217 Crothers avenue, Phi

CUBIN, ALFRED, Chester CULVER, ANNA, Chester DIDO, JOSEPH. 2402 Callowhill street. Phila

PUBLONG, MARY, Chester. GETTY, ELIZABETH, 5318 Glenmore avenue GREENSTON. LOUIS. 1720 South Fourth

street, Philadelphia. HOSSNER, MARY, 8906 Tinicum avenue, Phila MICKS, ARTHUR, 1001 Chester pike, Chester. JENKINS, JOSEPH, 1715 Vine street. Phila

JONES, LILLIAN, Chester. RELLY, MARY, Sixty-ninth street and Chester avenue, Philadeiphia.

MARTIN, ROY, Asbury Park. ORRIS, HENRY, Asbury Park. PATELIUS, CILA, Chester.
PATTON, THOMAS, address unknown..
PENNINGTON, CECELIA, 700 Jefferson stree

AST. GEORGE, Chester DGERS, LOUISE, 354 Fulton street, Cheste

SALICK, ALEXANDER, 228 Howell street Chester.
HORE, EDWARD, Chester.
FAYLOR, EARL, Essington.
FAYLOR, NORMAN, 12 Flower street, Chester
FAYLOR, SAKAH, 2631 Howe street, Chester.

HOMPSON, MISS, Chester, HOMAL, MRS., Polsam. WALLACE, PRANK, 1961 Springfield avenu

Collinguale:
KINFA, MRLEN, Woodbury, N. J.
TIAJANS, LAURA, 2514 Ridge avenue. Philip WILD, FRED, Chester.

#### The Injured

BASO, MORRIS, 648 Sartain street, Philadel-

phis, badly burned.

BAURKITIS, MRS. DENICKA, address un BELL, HARRY, 829 North Randolph street BERSET, JOHN, twenty-one years, 119 Concord avenue, Chester, Taylor Hospital; discharged, BRYSON, FRANK, 420 Singerly street, Phila-delphia, Croser Hospital; discharged, BULKIN, PAUL, 1419 North Twentieth street, BURFORD, THOMAS, 2316 South street, Phila

CAMPENEO, ROMEO, Chester, CHASSANTI. JOHN. address unknown, badly burned about face. COHAN, SAMUEL, 636 North Forty-third COHEN, ISAAC, 6218 Elmwood avenue, Phila-

deiphia, Crozer Hospital; discharged. COSTON, JOSEPH, address unknown, serious. COZIRMAN, SAMUEL, address unknown, badly burned about arms and face.
CROCKETT, BENJAMIN, 5927 Race street,

DI ROCKO, RAEFELO, 410 West Front street. Chester, burned face and body, Taylor Hospital. DRYER. W. A., 6401 Woodland avenue, Phila-

delphia, Chester Hospital.

DUBBLEMAN, SAMUEL, 343 Mercer street. Philadelphia, badly burned. DUBOK, MICHAEL, 37 Deven street, Chester. Taylor Hospital; discharged. EISER, DAVIS, 822 North Seventh street, Phil-

adelphia, Crozer Hospital: discharged. ELBRIGHT, MABEL, 1225 South St. Bernard FENJA, FRANK, Moore, Pa., Taylor Hospital

discharged.

FLYAX. DON. twenty-seven years. Bancroft Bank, Pa., Taylor Hospital; discharged, FISHER, JERRY, 840 South Front street, Phil-FONTANA, JACK, 1231 Chester pike, Darby,

Pa., knees, arms and head badly burned. Philadelphia: St. Agnes Hospital; broken les. mind affected. PORD, BENJAMIN, 1025 Mercer street, Phila-

delphia, Chester Hospital.

GALLAGHER, KATHERINE, 422 East Eleventh street, Chester, burned body, arms and face, Chester Hospital. GIBBS, GEORGE A., 4938 Starr street, Chester, Pa.
GIBS, GEORGE A., 4938 Starr street, Ches-

adelphia, serious burns of head and chest. GLOTHER, BERTHA. 74 South Orange street. Media.

GORDIA, SADIE, 719 Hinckson street, Chester.

HARKINS, WILLIAM, 2145 South Alder street, HEISNER, ALFRED, address unknown, serious condition, Croser Hospital. HIBNER, EMANUEL, address unknown, seriously burner, Crozer Hospital. HOLLOAKER, FREDERICK, 259 Third street.

HOWSER, W. A., 6406 Woodland avenue, Phil JOHNSON, RALPH, address unknown, Crozes Hospital; serious.

KROTCHOLD, FRANK, 309 Hinckson street.

KROWITZ, BLANCHE, badly burned, Chester LAUTER, GEORGE, Eddystone

McEADIE, MARGUERITE, 411 South Third MACHNOTE, OLGA, 1441 South Eighteenth IALPRY, MILLY, Leiperville or Crum Lynne. Pa., badly burned, Chester Hospital.

AAGGERI, FRANCES, address unknown, burned

about face, Chester Hospital, MAGUIRE, DOROTHY, Milton, Pa., wounder MICHAEL, PAUL, 711 Mclivaine street. Chester, Chester Hospital. MONIC. MICHAEL, address unknown, burns.

Chester Hospital, MONTGOMERY, HARRY, 7239 Gray's Ferry road, Philadelphia, badly burned, Chester Hospital. WORRISON, MARGARET, Eighty-third Buist avenue, Philadelphia, Chester Hospital, MOULTON, LESTER, 917 Morton avenue,

residence 421 West Fifth street, Chester

MYORY, FRANK, 511 West Second street Chester, head, back and arms burned, Chester Hospital. NAGAR, JOHN A., Fifty-eighth and Chestnut streets, Philadelphia, badly burned, Chester

O'BEIZ. SAMUEL. 310 Hinckson street. Chester discharged from Taylor Hospital. O'DONNELL. WILLIAM, 6605 Greenway avenue. Philadelphia, serious. Crozer Hospital. OMATKEN. ENOCH, Chester, severely burned.

O'TOOLE, FRANK, 4997 Girard avenue, Phila-delphia serious condition from burns, Crozer PAPPAS, JAMES, Essington, Pa., Crozer Hos-

PETER, JOHN, Chester, burned face and body, PETRICHECKA, NICOLAY, 832 East Eighth street, Chester, Taylor Hospital. PULLEN, JOHN, address unknown Chester

PULON, JAMES, 341 East Third street, Chester. OBBINA, N., 630 North Marshall street, Philadelphia, Taylor Hospital. ROE. AMANDA, 212 South Alden street, Phila-

RUDENKO, SAMUEL, 613 East Fourth street, RUE, GEORGE, 5724 Filbert street, Philadelphia, Armory. SCHERPINTSEM, MARY 4904 Kingsessing

avenue, Chester Hospital

SCHULMAN, SAMUEL, address unknown, SCHULTZ, SAMUEL, Leiperville, Pa., Taylor

SCHOERBERG, JACK, New York, Crozer Hos

Hospital. SENZA, FRANK, Moores, Pa., Taylor Hospital. SHIPPOLUCHI, STEPHEN, 44 Julius street. Brooklyn, N. Y., Chester Hospital, SHUMAN, SAMUEL, 631 Winter street, Phila-SILVERMAN, JACK, 1231 Chester pike, Darby.

SOL, SAMUEL, Philadelphia, address unknown, SOLOMON, A., 446 Wolf street, Philadelphia. SOLOMON, CAESAR, address unknown, Chest

SUGFORD, MRS. HELEN, thirty years, 8320 STOTSKY, JACOB, 515 South Third street, Phil-SWETHFERTH, MAY, 4904 Kingsessing avenue, Philadelphia, Chester Hospital. TROLE, FRANK, 4997 Girard avenue, Phila-

TUCHUK, SAMUEL, 503 Eddystone avenue. Edvass. Joz. Philadelphia. address unknown. VASSELI, STEVE, 160 Kerlin street, Chester,

WEISS, ABE, 711 Mercer street, Philadelphia. WITOLE, HARRY, 918 South Ninth street, Phil-MHGLOZEE, WEX, 409 Hinckson street.

OMAN GIVES NOTE CLUE ON PLOT TO BLOW UP EDDYSTONE PLANT

morgue at Chester today. More than one hundred are those of girl

have been identified by relatives and friends. The gruesome

ated by additional deaths of in-

LEADERS IN EDDYSTONE RELIEF WORK



This photograph was taken in the Chester City Hall. It shows Mayor Wesley S. McDowell, of Chester, and Miss Jean Gordon Camp organizing the work of relief for the stricken families, many made destitute by the Eddystone explosion horror. Miss Camp is secretary of the Associated Charities of Chester.

because of rumors that the plant was to be blown up. About 625 persons were in section F, the wrecked group of buildings. NEARLY HUNDRED STILL MISSING

Between 75 and 100, including many Philadelphians, were reported missing

The list of injured is about 300. Many of these, who are in hospitals in

Chester and Ridley Park and in temporary hospitals, are critically injured. Besides Garbarino's Philadelphia men, Federal investigators were hurried from Washington and New York. The buildings are owned by the Baldwin Locomotive Works, which erected

them at a cost of \$1,500,000. When the ammunition company assumed charge of the plant to fill an order for 2,500,000 shrapnel shells it was reported that the Baldwin concern was to be reimbursed for its outlay and that the buildings were to reyert to it at the conclusion of the contract. Andrew Fletcher, of New York, was chosen president of the ammunition company, and Samuel M. Vauclain, vice president of the locomotive works, was

made the Philadelphia representative in the directorate. It was reported last September that because of difficulties in operation an Anglo-Russian commission had taken over the conduct of the plant.

Plans for a great community funeral for the victims of the disaster, including a pub-tic burial for the unidentified dead, were advanced today by Mayor Wesley S. Mc-Dowell, of Chester, at a meeting of the Chester division of the State Committee for Public Safety and Defense appointed by Governor Brumbaugh.

Mayor McDowell, who is chairman of the

ommittee, advocated the project. He said: We should not drag out this horror

for several days. Let us get it over with as soon as possible. It will be a woeful spectacle and better finished at once. Let us set one day for it. Other members of the committee include State Senator William C. Sproul, George C. Hetzel, Elwood J. Turner, William A.

Undertakers in every village and hantlet for miles around Chester and Eddystone are taxed by the demand for coffins. Outside help surely will be needed to supply

The fragments of bodies that cannot b identified will be buried at public expense. Relief funds will be used for this purpose. Several thousand dollars have poured relief of families become needy through the

TEN FEET FROM SCENE

The statement from Lester Mouiton, shop foreman in the finishing room of 'Old F' house, where the first explosion drove him through the door, was obtained today after he was discharged from the Taylor Hospital, Ridley Park,

He was only ten feet away from the spot where the first explosion occurred, he de-clared. It could not have been an accident, but was the work of a plotter, he said. There was nothing in the room where he and twelve girls were at work that could have caused the explosion unless it was an unseen device, in his opinion.

Moulton, who lives in Aberdeen, Md., re-

"I was only ten feet from the table where the girls wipe off the shells when the first explosion came," he said. "The flash was right at this table. There was nothing there to cause an explosion; positively nothing. There were twelve girls working in the room, and all were killed. There was a flash and I was hurled under a table. This is what saved me. I was crawling on my hands and knees when a second explosion drove me against a wall. The third explosion sent me through a door.

NO ACCIDENT The thing happened too quickly for it going back to work because I am not afraid of any accidents happening at the place,

but I am going to work in a different de-partment when I do go back. No one can tell me that thing was an accident" The supposed German sailor being de-tained at the Philadelphia Hospital was arrested late Sunday, two days before the explosion, by a guard of the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation. The man was crawling along the north fence of the plant, according to Captain – Heffernan, of the Eddystone guards. He was locked up in the guardhouse and preparations were beling made to deliver him to the Federal

authorities here, when the explosior The man, whose only name known is Secko, developed peculiarities that caused the belief that he was mentally deranged, according to Heffernan. When he was brought to Philadelphia he was taken to the Philadelphia Hospital for a mental examination. Special Agent Garbarino went to question the man.

Guards were increased today at the Chester pumping station and at the reservoir, three miles outside the city.

GUARDS INCREASED

Many extra guards were sworn in today by neighboring manufacturing companies. The men were sent to Chester to receive the authority necessary. Among the firms were the Federal Steel Company, with twenty new men, and the New Chester Water Company, with fifteen new med.

was withdrawn from the Sixth Regiment armory at Chester today after the last of the injured were removed to the Chester A quiet, as of death, hung over Eddy-

stone today. Work was resumed in the munition corporation's plant with the ex-ception of the wrecked section. ABOUT \$840,000 LOSS

The property loss in the disaster is trifling compared with the loss of life, and Eddystone Ammunition Corporation ficials were quick as a flash to put it out

covered the value of the buildings that were blown up or riddled by exploding shrapnel. This figure varies from \$25,000 to \$40,000. Strange to say, comparatively little machinery was damaged. The buildings comprised a group of one-story tile and frame structures known as Section F. They were of the powder town "mushroom" type.

PLOT THEORY GROWS Looking at the destruction wrought by one of the nation's great tragedies, Chester is asking today: Did some one's careless-ness cause the Eddystone explosion? Was it the brain child of a maniac? Or was its army of victims slain in a fiendish war plot?

The plot theory grows rather than dimin-shes. Officials of the Eddystone corporation have a "very strong impression" the catastrophe was the result of a plot.
On that theory five separate agencies working in harmony are running out every clue today. They are the Department of Justice, the Eddystone Ammunition Corporation police, the Delaware County officials, the State fire marshals and the Phila delphia Detective Bureau,

Captain Wilhelm gave the "strong im pression" as the view the munition works officials have taken. He promised a thorough investigation, and said developments might be looked for before tonight. The probe began today under Coroner Drews, of Darby.

"It will go deep," he said. Official views differ radically on the origin of the explosion, all possible clues to which lie blasted in the charred ruins of section F, the wrecked group of buildings.

United States District Attorney Francis Fisher Kane authorized this statement:
"The Federal authorities are working on the explosion case and are running out every

"The thing happened too quickly for it to have been caused by an accident. It was done by a plotter. I am convinced of that. The thing was definitely planned. I am going back to work because I am not afraid of any accidents happening at the place, vestigation shows that the explosion might have been caused by a fire.

Alba B. Johnson, president of the Baid-win Locomotive Works, said: "After visiting Eddystone and talking to the officials I am convinced that the catas-trophe could not have been an accident. Although we have only circumstantial evi-dence, it looks as though some one touched off a bomb or a time clock."

George Dwyer, a foreman, and Basil Greenko, Russian Government inspector, who survived the explosion, said it seemed to come from the outside. "Two yellow dogs" were blamed by a Chester police official, who declared that they would be "hung yet." He declined to explain. United States National Guard officers

United States National Guard officers are trying to get to the bottom of evidence that foreign agencies had a part in the devastation. Arrests are being made, though a stern censorship tries to hide facts. Some survivors are convinced, the blasts were deliberately planned. And they tell reasons for their belief. Mayor W. S. McDowell's views are indicated by the request of himself and other citizens, amounting to a demand, that guards at the Eddystone ammuniton works and the Remington plant be increased for the protection of Chester employes. Today fifty more guards than there were yesterday are patrolling the Eddystone works.

General Manager Wilhelm said: "I can account for the explosion in no other way that on the theory was the contract of the explosion in no other way that on the theory was the contract of the explosion in no other way that on the theory was the contract of the explosion in no other way that on the theory was the contract of the explosion in no other way that on the theory was the contract of the contr

nearly impossible for any one to carry a bomb or time fuse arrangement into the works, because of the scrutiny of the guards. Every package taken into the plant is examined. A suspicious bulge about the clothing of any employe entering the works would cause the guards to pull him out of line and put him through a thorough

"A man bent on destruction regardless "A man bent on destruction , regardess of the cost to himself, could readily ac-complish some terrible results. It is ex-tremely difficult to guard against men such as these, although the slightest sus-picious move on the part of an employe is reported to the office immediately. The reported to the office immediately. The action then is swift. The man is questioned and searched. If nothing develops from these methods he is discharged on general principles."

#### GERMANS EMPLOYED George Dwyer said today that evidence

intentional destruction is too strong to denied. He survived the concussion. "For one thing." Dwyer said, "there was little attempt to protect the plant from Germans and Austrians who might be danrerous. Many men of these nationalities

ere employed. "I have seen so muth carelessness on the part of workmen that did not produce ac-cidents that I feel a match must have been touched off to the plant to make it go up. In other words, I don't think the explosion could have come by chance." Then Dwyer added a sentence that heard on all sides from survivors able to

The explosion came from the outside, not the inside of the building."

A Philadelphia physician who questioned

nearly all the survivors and turned in a

report to the Eddystone concern, said:
"All of the women and many of the men agree that the explosion came from the Those are views expressed many hours after the blasts, when the excitement and panic have cleared away. workmen of the plant that the place where

the explosion occurred is exactly the place that a plotter would have chosen. Only in the shrapnel house could great havon be wrought by simple means. Assistant District Attorney William Taylor, of Media, said that no Grand Jury investigation could be made at this time. The next Grand Jury will be empaneled in June, he explained. The District Attor-ney's office has not yet instituted a probe.

In the main, those who do not say or hint that they believe in the plot theory are non-The constant hazard of ammunition making is held by some to indicate that fate was behind the tragedy. Others declare that it would be very much to the interest of the Eddystone company to have the plot idea accepted as true, on the ground that it would absolve the corporation of negli-

All suspects arrested yesterday in and All suspects arrested yesterday here are the ammunition plant have been released, according to officials of the company. They were questioned as to their whereabouts at the time of the explosion and gave satisfactory accounts of their doings. It was said that at present it is improbable that the guard will be further augmented. Such action might be taken later, it was

TO PAY CLAIMS SPEEDILY Speedy adjustment by the Eddystone Corporation of compensation claims arising from yesterday's disaster was promised today in a statement issued by William I.

The Eddystone Ammunition Corporation desires to meet the situation growing out of compensation claims for dead and injured in yesterday's disaster in the broadest and most liberal spirit. To this end I have taken up with Harry A. Mackey, the chairman of the Workmen's Compensation Board equitable adjustments of these claims Mr. Mackey, with his usual prompt grasp of important situations, has

brushed all red tape aside and is coming to Chester personally to meet me tomorrow (Thursday) to formulate a plan to take care of all these claims. In order to systematize and work out satisfactory results, all persons having

lawful compensation claims should make this fact known other Geary or J. Borton Weeks, who will be associated with me in the sale and ment of the calims.

FINANCES PROVIDED

The highest estimate today placed it at \$840,000. Of this \$800,000 made up the value of the 9000 shells intended for the Russian Government and the remainder cil at a special meeting this morning. This money is to be used to help the needy families of the victims and to defray the fu-neral expenses of the unidentified dead. The resolution specifically placed the finances of the city at the disposal of the Chester division of the Committee on Pub-

lic Safety, of which Mayor McDowell is chairman. The money is available imme-Another resolution passed instructed A. R. Granger, chairman of the Public Safety Committee on Motors and Motortrucks, to ascertain the capacity of every truck and motor vehicle in the bty. These will be listed and given numbers in case of an emergency, such as yes-terday's catastrophe, there will note be the

when many of them were held up going through the guard lines. work of listing the machines was started this afterno One arrest made today was that of Frank

difficulty experienced, as was the case then,

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Miller, a civil engineer, of 38 North Third street, Camden. He was arrested at his curred, with the exception that the home after Judge William C. French overheard him tell a companion in a restaurant that he had investigated the explosion and found that "it was not Germans who did it, but a girl smoking eigensties near a found that "it was not Germans who did it, but a girl smoking cigarettes near a pile of powder." Judge French followed him home and summoned Judge Frank T. Lloyd, chairman of the Camden Public Safety Com-mittee. They decided to arrest him. Cam-den detectives said his connection with the disaster was vague, but they are investigat-ing the case. He is said to be of German extraction and a veteran of the Spanish-American War.

An Austrian employe, Jacob Silverman, injured in the explosion, is under surveillance, and his father, David Silverman, of New York, was arrested because iance, and his father, David Silverman, of New York, was arrested because of a tele-gram that seemed suspicious. Major Mechan, of the First Pennsylvania In-fantry, National Guard, declined to divulge the contents of the telegram. Referring to some of the wounded for-eigners in hospitals, Coroner Drews said: "There are several of those fellows that we are trying to find out about."

we are trying to find out about."

Besides the Federal, Delaware County and Philadelphia authorities, among those who joined actively in the investigation were G. Chal Port, State Pire Marshal, and corps of deputies; Lew Palmer, chief o the Bureau of Inspection of the State De-partment of Labor and Industry, and Chief of Police Vance, of Chester.

The corporation's detectives, under Lieu-tenant T. St. John Greble, also took part. The names of employes who did not report for work yesterday are being checked up.
On the possibility that the mails were used to send explosives into the plant, postal inspectors were assigned to the case Chief James T. Cortelyou.

#### GIRL WHO ESCAPED TELLS OF HER WORK

By a Staff Correspondent Along come the shells, big brass cylinder with a dull hateful shininess. Wh-r-r!

Here they are, ready for their maws to be dulled with black powder. There is silent bustle and noisiness and they're off-ready for the second stage of being filled step by step, for the call of death.

Which is the impression merely of on shop where "there was a flash-of orangeand then blows clubbing to merciful darkand then blows clubbing to merchin dark-ness." The girl in question was not only a worker on munitions, but a forelady in the shop where the laden rain and fire killed a hundred or more girls and men yesterday. She is Marie Creghan, of Crum Lynne and it was only a sickness of two months that kept her in the hospital until a few days ago that caused her to be absent when the explosion came.

"The shells come up from another plant." she said today, when asked just how the shells were filled with powder and ball and how the girls were supervised, "and the powder. They have on a table before them the powder and scales and along come these 'jitneys' on which are twenty-four shells to be filled. They weigh out the powder and dump it into the shells which are then rolled along to the next room, where men are employed.

"This room is called the 'juggling room,' and the powder that the girls have poured into the shells is twisted around until it lles flat in the shells.
"Once more the shells are moved on, and

this time girls once niore aid in their fixing cylinders of paste board are placed on the black powder and the next process resuits in plain powder and lead being thee put in. The girls put some kind of greams on the shells to keep it airtight and then "This is not all, however, for into the bottom of each shell they put black powder and pellets. That is about al they do in

curred, with the exception that they be fuse and a cap in the shell. Then they

"The girls," she explained, "work tables before them about waist high, that. I suppose, is the reason why so of them were killed. The balls went their brains."

"Close supervision exercised over a girls?" she was asked.

"Not especially. They come in the meaning at 7 o'clock and aren't examined observed to the come in the meaning at 7 o'clock and aren't examined observed to the come and the pass everybody carried to looked at, then they go straight to the first room and then to their tables, which ing room and then to their tables, which ing and whether any girl is there that doesn't belong there. About 9 o'clock the timekeeper takes the number of those was are on duty and does the same thing in the afternoon."

afternoon."

Miss Creghan is a cousin of the McCardy sisters, who were both killed in the splosion, while many of her friends an girls who formerly worked under her also met death when the shells ripped fical in

#### TERRIFIED EMPLOYES QUIT SCENE OF CATASTROPHE

CHESTER. April 11.—Scores of measurement by the great calamity of yesterday, left their jobs at the Eddystone municipal today, and seemed to be anxious the control of the tion plant today, and seemed to be anxion to get as far away from the scene as possible. Despite their action, a large number of men and women applied to take their places. Many of these have been out of employment for some time and actual necessity has made them, indifferent to danger. Officials expressed confidence of obtaining enough new hands to fill the places of those who suffered death and injury in the dispater.

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